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## PATENT APPLICATION

### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Augustinus BADER  
Serial no. : 10/523,454  
Filed : with an effective filing date of July 28, 2003  
For : METHOD AND DEVICE FOR CULTURING  
CELLS  
Group Art Unit : 1651  
Examiner : Allison M. Ford  
Docket : LORWER P33AUS

The Commissioner for Patents  
U.S. Patent & Trademark Office  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

### RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

In response to the official action mailed September 20, 2005, the Applicant petitions for a one (1) month extension of term, attached hereto, thereby extending the term for response to and including **November 21, 2005-- November 20 being a Sunday**.

[XXX] A check for the fees indicated below, based upon the Applicant's Small entity status, accompanies this response.	
PETITION FOR ONE (1) MONTH EXTENSION OF TERM	\$60
TOTAL	\$60

This response is being filed in reply to the office action mailed September 20, 2005.

In that action, the Examiner required restriction, under 35 U.S.C. § 121, between the following groups of claims:

- I. Claims 31-49, drawn to a method for culturing cells on a cell culture chamber comprising three layers: a support structure on which the cells are cultured, an intermediate layer, and an external boundary layer which is impermeable to the cells; or
- II. Claims 31-42 and 46-52, drawn to a method for culturing cells on a cell culture chamber comprising two layers: a support structure on which the cells are cultured and an external boundary layer which is impermeable to the cells; wherein the method comprises exposure of the cell culture chamber to liquid or gas pressure; or
- III. Claims 31-42, 46-49 and 53-54, drawn to a method for culturing cells on a cell culture chamber comprising two layers: a support structure on which the cells are cultured and an external boundary layer which is impermeable to the cells; wherein the cell culture chamber is incorporated into a nutrient circuit; or